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Multifunctional Ionic Hybrid Poly(propyleneimine) Dendrimers surrounded by Carbazole Dendrons: Liquid Crystals, Optical and Electrochemical Properties.

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EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

1. Materials and Methods

The poly(propyleneimine) dendrimer (PPI-(NH₂)_n) generations 1-5 were commercially available from SyMO-Chem BV (Eindhoven, The Netherlands). The rest of the reagents were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich Chemical Company and were used as received. Anhydrous THF used for dendrimer preparation was purchased from Scharlau Chemie s.a. and was dried using a solvent purification system.

The infrared spectra of all the compounds were obtained on a Nicolet Avatar 360 FTIR spectrophotometer in the 400-4000 cm⁻¹ spectral range using KBr pellets and NaCl cells. ¹H-NMR spectroscopy was performed on a Bruker AVANCE 400 spectrometer and on a Bruker AVANCE 300 spectrometer. ¹³C-NMR spectroscopy was performed on a Bruker AVANCE 400 spectrometer operating at 100 MHz and on a Bruker AVANCE 300 spectrometer operating at 75 MHz. Elemental analyses were performed using a Perkin-Elmer 240C microanalyzer.

Mesogenic behavior and transition temperatures were determined using an Olympus DP12 polarizing optical microscope equipped with a Linkam TMS91 hot stage and a CS196 central processor.

Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) experiments were performed on DSC TA Instruments Q-20 and Q-2000 systems. Samples were sealed in aluminum pans and a scanning rate of 10°C•min⁻¹ under a nitrogen atmosphere was used. The calorimeters were calibrated with indium (156.6°C; 28.4 J•g⁻¹) as the standard. Three thermal cycles were carried out. The mesophase transition temperatures were read at the maximum of the

corresponding peaks. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) was performed using a TA instruments TGA Q5000 at a rate of $10^{\circ}\text{C}\cdot\text{min}^{-1}$ under an argon atmosphere.

The XRD experiments were performed on a pinhole camera (Anton-Paar) operating with a point-focused Ni-filtered Cu-K α beam. Lindemann glass capillaries with 0.9 mm diameter were used to contain the sample and, when necessary, a variable-temperature attachment was used to heat the sample. The patterns were collected on flat photographic film perpendicular to the X-ray beam. Bragg's law was used to obtain the spacing.

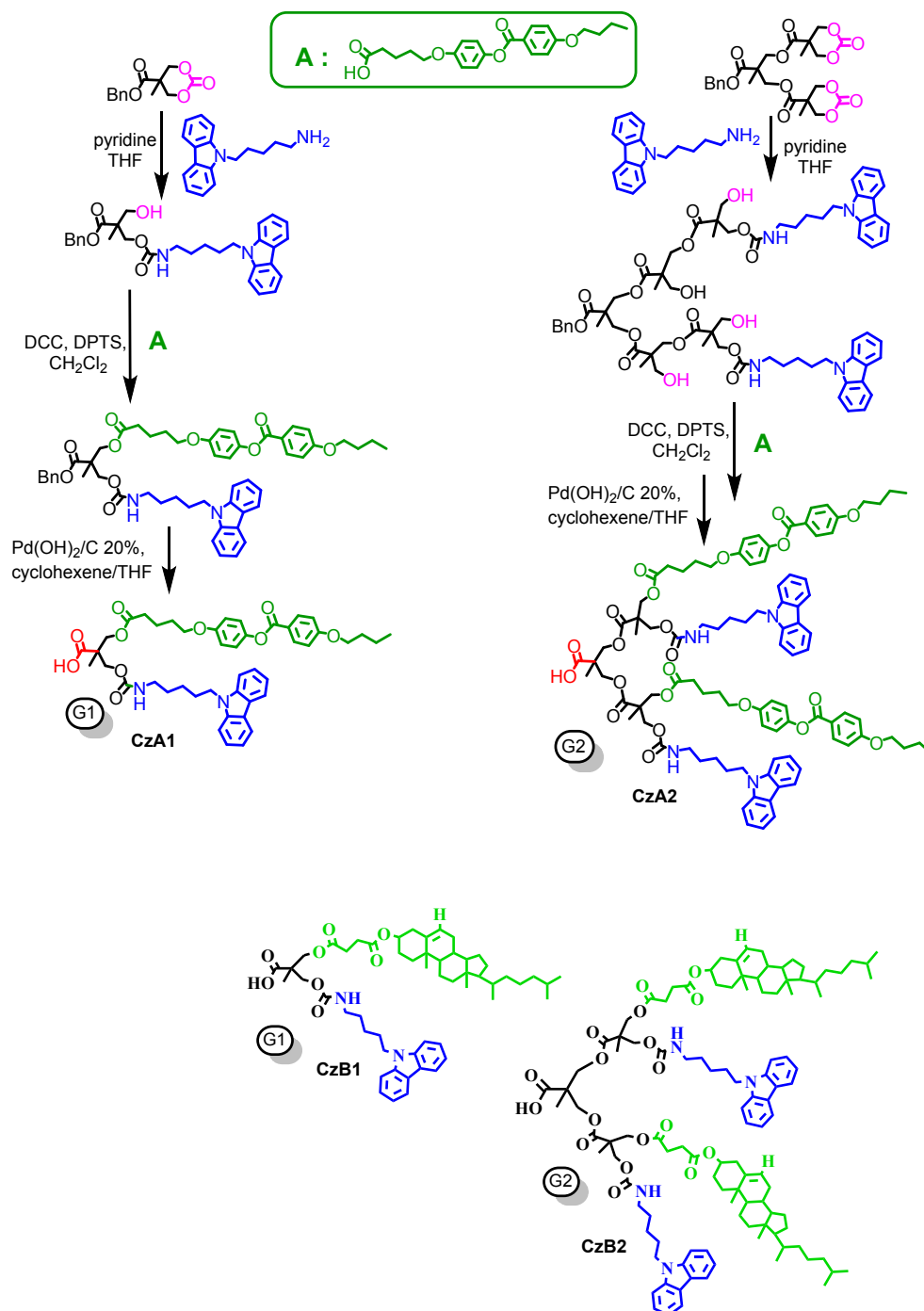
UV-vis absorption spectra were measured with a UV4-200 spectrophotometer from ATI-Unicam using 10^{-5} - 10^{-6} M solutions in CHCl_3 (HPLC Grade). Fluorescence spectra were measured with a Perkin-Elmer LS50B fluorescence spectrometer using solutions in CHCl_3 of ca. 0.01 absorbance (about 10^{-8} - 10^{-9} M) under excitation at the absorption maximum. Films were prepared by casting of a solution of ~ 1 mg/mL in CHCl_3 on a quartz plate.

Cyclic voltammetry measurements were performed on a μ -Autolab ECO-Chemiepotentiostat, using a glassy carbon working electrode, Pt counter electrode, and Ag/AgCl reference electrode. The experiments were carried out under argon, in CH_2Cl_2 , with Bu_4NPF_6 as supporting electrolyte (0.1 mol L^{-1}); the scan rate was 100 mV s^{-1} .

2. Synthetic procedures and chemical compound information

2.1 Synthesis and characterization of the compounds

Synthetic route to dendrons CzAm and CzBm

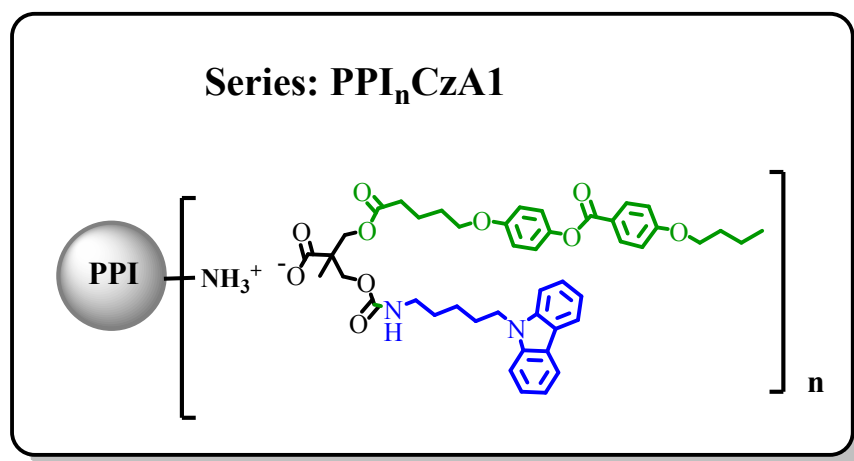


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The ionic hybrid dendrimers were prepared by addition of the PPI dendrimer of appropriate generation (G=1-5) dissolved in dry THF to a solution of the corresponding carboxylic acid dendrons in THF, with the appropriate stoichiometry to functionalize all amine groups of the periphery. The mixture was ultrasonicated for 5 min and the solvent was slowly evaporated at RT and the product dried in vacuum at 40 °C until the weight remained constant.



PPI₄CzA1:

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 8.14-8.12 (m, AA'BB', 8H), 8.09-8.08 (m, 8H), 7.53-7.42 (m, 8H), 7.40-7.39 (m, 8H), 7.26-7.18 (m, 8H), 7.08-7.07 (m, AA'BB', 8H), 6.97-6.96 (m, AA'BB', 8H), 6.88-6.86 (m, AA'BB', 8H), 5.82 (s, 4H), 4.27 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 8H), 4.20-4.10 (m, 16H), 4.05 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 8H), 3.91-3.89 (m, 8H), 3.10-3.04 (m, 8H), 2.92-2.90 (m, 4H), 2.48-2.46 (m, 8H), 2.38-2.36 (m, 16H), 1.88-1.80 (m, 48H), 1.56-1.50 (m, 16H), 1.42-1.34 (m, 8H), 1.14 (s, 12H), 1.02 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 12H).

¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 178.98, 173.39, 165.34, 163.46, 156.64, 156.52, 144.46, 140.34, 132.19, 125.63, 122.75, 122.50, 121.59, 120.30, 118.76, 115.01, 114.24, 108.66, 67.97, 67.73, 66.96, 66.28, 46.78, 42.85, 40.82, 39.01, 33.85, 31.13, 29.79, 28.63, 24.46, 21.57, 19.18, 18.50, 13.81.

IR (Nujol) (cm⁻¹): 3368 (N-H), 2925 (C-H), 1728 (C=O), 1580 (COO⁻_{asym}), 1400 (COO⁻_{sym}).

PPI₈CzA1:

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 8.12-8.06 (m, AA'BB', 16H), 8.05-8.03 (m, 16H), 7.43-7.38 (m, 16H), 7.36-7.34 (m, 16H), 7.20-7.13 (m, 16H), 7.07-7.00 (m, AA'BB', 16H), 6.96-6.90 (m, AA'BB', 16H), 6.83-6.81 (m, AA'BB', 16H), 5.89 (s, 8H), 4.21 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 16H), 4.15-4.10 (m, 32H), 4.01 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 16H), 3.84-3.82 (m, 16H), 3.04-2.99 (m, 16H), 2.86 (s, 16H), 2.37 (s, 20H), 2.33 (s, 16H), 1.82-1.75 (m, 64H), 1.76-1.52 (m, 16H), 1.57-1.42 (m, 32H), 1.36-1.28 (m, 16H), 1.10 (s, 24H), 0.98 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 24H).

¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 179.97, 173.41, 165.31, 163.45, 156.51, 144.45, 140.32, 132.18, 125.62, 122.74, 122.50, 121.59, 120.29, 118.75, 114.98, 114.24, 108.65, 67.97, 67.71, 66.39, 52.67, 49.61, 46.73, 42.81, 40.82, 38.61, 33.85, 31.13, 29.82, 28.64, 26.85, 24.44, 21.58, 19.18, 18.69, 13.82.

IR (Nujol) (cm⁻¹): 3400 (N-H), 2927 (C-H), 1727 (C=O), 1580 (COO⁻_{asym}), 1401 (COO⁻_{sym}).

PPI₁₆CzA1:

¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 8.08-8.06 (m, AA'BB', 32H), 8.02-8.00 (m, 32H), 7.39-7.36 (m, 32H), 7.33-7.31 (m, 32H), 7.16-7.12 (m, 32H), 7.01-6.99 (m, AA'BB', 32H), 6.91-6.89 (m, AA'BB', 32H), 6.79-6.76 (m, AA'BB', 32H), 6.06 (s, 16H), 4.22-4.07 (m, 96H), 3.98 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 32H), 3.76 (s, 32H), 3.05-2.95 (m, 32H), 2.89-2.79 (m, 32H), 2.48-2.34 (m, 44H), 2.32-2.21 (m, 32H), 1.78-1.73 (m, 128H), 1.68-1.61 (m, 32H), 1.51-1.42 (m, 64H), 1.31-1.22 (m, 32H), 1.08 (s, 48H), 0.97 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 48H).

¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 179.91, 173.21, 165.23, 163.45, 156.52, 144.44, 140.31, 132.18, 125.61, 122.75, 122.50, 121.56, 120.30, 118.75, 114.99, 114.23, 108.64, 67.97, 67.70, 66.12, 52.51, 46.53, 42.81, 40.82, 38.60, 33.65, 31.12, 29.62, 28.63, 26.95, 24.34, 21.56, 19.18, 18.59, 13.82.

IR (Nujol) (cm⁻¹): 3384 (N-H), 2937 (C-H), 1729 (C=O), 1578 (COO⁻_{asym}), 1401 (COO⁻_{sym}).

PPI₃₂CzA1:

¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 8.06-8.04 (m, AA'BB', 64H), 8.00-7.98 (m, 64H), 7.37-7.33 (m, 64H), 7.30-7.28 (m, 64H), 7.14-7.10 (m, 64H), 6.99-6.96 (m, AA'BB', 64H), 6.89-6.87 (m, AA'BB', 64H), 6.76-6.73 (m, AA'BB', 64H), 6.03 (s, 32H), 4.22-4.08 (m, 192H), 3.95 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 64H), 3.76 (s, 64H), 3.02-2.92 (m, 64H), 2.90-2.81 (m, 64H), 2.47-2.32 (m, 100H), 2.25-2.29 (m, 64H), 1.77-1.71 (m, 256H), 1.67-1.60 (m, 64H), 1.51-1.36 (m, 128H), 1.26-1.23 (m, 64H), 1.09 (s, 96H), 0.96 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 96H).

¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 178.95, 173.46, 165.29, 163.44, 156.74, 156.46, 144.38, 140.25, 132.14, 125.61, 122.66, 122.47, 121.51, 120.25, 118.72, 114.91, 114.19, 108.65, 67.92, 67.64, 46.64, 42.73, 40.73, 33.81, 31.08, 30.28, 29.69, 28.59, 28.55, 24.87, 24.34, 21.52, 19.15, 18.62, 13.80.

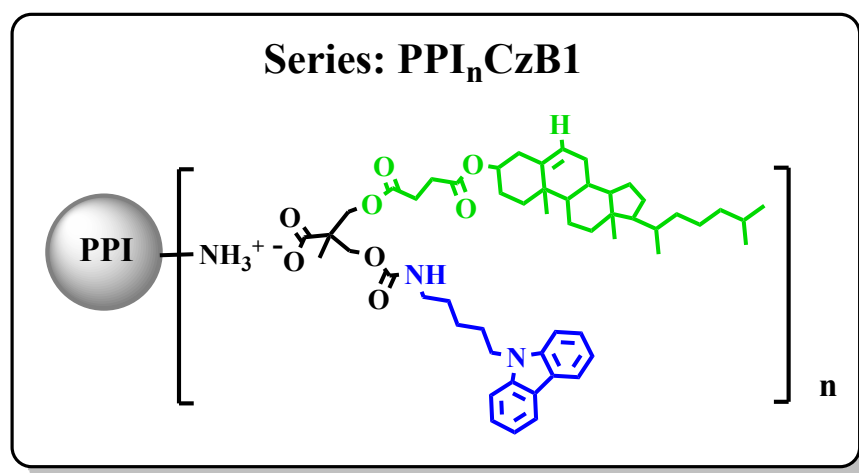
IR (Nujol) (cm⁻¹): 3386 (N-H), 2937 (C-H), 1729 (C=O), 1578 (COO⁻_{asym}), 1401 (COO⁻_{sym}).

PPI₆₄CzA1:

¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 8.04-8.02 (m, AA'BB', 128H), 7.98-7.96 (m, 128H), 7.33-7.31 (m, 128H), 7.28-7.26 (m, 128H), 7.11-7.09 (m, 128H), 6.96-6.94 (m, AA'BB', 128H), 6.86-6.84 (m, AA'BB', 128H), 6.73-6.71 (m, AA'BB', 128H), 5.96 (s, 64H), 4.19-4.05 (m, 384H), 3.93 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 128H), 3.69 (s, 128H), 3.02-2.88 (m, 128H), 2.88-2.74 (m, 128H), 2.45-2.13 (m, 364H), 2.25 (s, 128H), 1.77-1.66 (m, 512H), 1.66-1.55 (m, 252H), 1.52-1.33 (m, 256H), 1.27-1.17 (m, 128H), 1.10 (s, 192H), 0.95 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 192H).

¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 178.52, 173.39, 165.30, 163.44, 156.67, 156.49, 144.43, 140.29, 132.16, 125.63, 122.70, 122.49, 121.55, 120.27, 118.75, 114.96, 114.22, 108.66, 67.95, 67.69, 67.05, 66.35, 49.26, 46.61, 42.76, 40.76, 33.82, 31.11, 29.69, 28.61, 25.56, 24.88, 24.36, 21.55, 19.16, 18.56, 13.80.

IR (Nujol) (cm⁻¹): 3386 (N-H), 2935 (C-H), 1729 (C=O), 1578 (COO⁻_{asym}), 1401 (COO⁻_{sym}).



PPI₄CzB1:

¹H-NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 8.07-8.05 (m, 8H), 7.45-7.41 (m, 8H), 7.39 - 7.36 (m, 8H), 7.22-7.17 (m, 8H), 5.68 (s, 4H), 5.31 (d, J = 4.2 Hz, 4H), 4.58-4.49 (m, 4H), 4.28-4.23 (m, 8H), 4.18-4.12 (m, 16H), 3.01 (s, 8H), 2.92-2.82 (m, 8H), 2.62-2.50 (m, 16H), 2.27 (m, 20H), 2.08-1.21 (m, 140H), 1.11 (s, 12H), 0.97 (s, 12H), 0.96-0.83 (m, 36H), 0.65 (s, 12H).

¹³C-NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 178.62, 172.67, 172.32, 171.78, 156.70, 140.32, 139.52, 129.53, 125.63, 122.75, 122.65, 120.28, 118.75, 115.40, 108.64, 77.20, 74.38, 67.07, 66.76, 56.60, 56.12, 49.95, 46.72, 42.85, 42.26, 40.79, 39.67, 39.50, 38.03, 36.90, 36.51, 36.18, 35.77, 31.83, 31.78, 29.72, 29.35, 29.12, 28.64, 28.20, 28.00, 27.69, 24.44, 24.24, 23.85, 22.80, 22.55, 20.98, 19.26, 18.70, 18.36, 11.82.

IR (Nujol) (cm⁻¹): 3400 (N-H), 2938 (C-H), 1729 (C=O), 1577 (COO⁻_{asym}), 1408 (COO⁻_{sym}).

PPI₈CzB1:

¹H-NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 8.07-8.04 (m, 16H), 7.45-7.40 (m, 16H), 7.38-7.36 (m, 16H), 7.21-7.16 (m, 16H), 5.73 (s, 8H), 5.30 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 8H), 4.60-4.53 (m, 8H), 4.28-4.22 (m, 16H), 4.15 (d, J = 16.1 Hz, 32H), 3.01 (s, 16H), 2.56 (s, 40H), 2.26 (m, 28H), 2.02-0.99 (m, 268H), 1.11 (s, 24H), 0.96 (s, 24H), 0.92-0.83 (m, 72H), 0.65 (s, 24H).

¹³C-NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 178.61, 172.33, 171.76, 156.73, 140.32, 139.52, 130.04, 125.64, 122.75, 122.65, 120.29, 118.77, 115.40, 108.65, 77.20, 74.37, 66.89, 56.60, 56.13, 49.94, 46.71, 42.85, 42.26, 40.78, 39.68, 39.51, 38.04, 36.90, 36.51, 36.18, 35.78, 31.78,

29.74, 29.37, 28.64, 28.20, 28.01, 27.70, 24.44, 24.24, 23.87, 22.81, 22.56, 20.98, 19.26, 18.71, 18.47, 11.83.

IR (Nujol) (cm^{-1}): 3373 (N-H), 2937 (C-H), 1728 (C=O), 1573 ($\text{COO}^-_{\text{asym}}$), 1406 ($\text{COO}^-_{\text{sym}}$).

PPI₁₆CzB1:

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3 , δ): 8.04-8.02 (m, 32H), 7.41-7.39 (m, 32H), 7.36-7.34 (m, 32H), 7.18-7.16 (m, 32H), 6.04 (s, 16H), 5.27 (s, 16H), 4.58-4.48 (s, 16H), 4.22-4.20 (m, 32H), 4.22-4.11 (m, 64H), 3.08-2.94 (m, 32H), 2.94-2.86 (m, 32H), 2.62-2.54 (m, 64H), 2.47-2.33 (m, 44H), 2.32-2.22 (m, 32H), 1.96-0.99 (m, 544H), 1.08 (s, 48H), 0.93 (s, 48H), 0.90-0.86 (m, 144H), 0.63 (s, 48H).

¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3 , δ): 179.46, 172.36, 171.73, 156.81, 140.30, 139.46, 125.61, 122.74, 122.63, 120.28, 118.74, 108.64, 74.31, 67.96, 67.24, 66.86, 56.55, 56.13, 52.47, 52.07, 51.38, 49.89, 46.83, 42.84, 42.24, 40.84, 39.64, 39.51, 38.85, 38.01, 36.86, 36.48, 36.19, 35.79, 31.75, 30.31, 29.80, 29.32, 29.13, 28.65, 28.21, 28.01, 27.69, 27.07, 25.60, 24.47, 24.24, 23.91, 22.82, 22.57, 20.96, 19.24, 18.78, 18.72, 11.81.

IR (Nujol) (cm^{-1}): 3384 (N-H), 2938 (C-H), 1726 (C=O), 1576 ($\text{COO}^-_{\text{asym}}$), 1405 ($\text{COO}^-_{\text{sym}}$).

PPI₃₂CzB1:

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3 , δ): 8.02-8.01 (m, 64H), 7.40-7.37 (m, 64H), 7.34-7.32 (m, 64H), 7.17-7.14 (m, 64H), 6.01 (s, 32H), 5.24 (s, 32H), 4.57-4.47 (s, 32H), 4.19-4.17 (m, 64H), 4.23-4.11 (m, 128H), 3.07-2.93 (m, 64H), 2.93-2.82 (m, 64H), 2.63-2.48 (m, 128H),

2.45-2.30 (m, 100H), 2.22-2.21 (m, 64H), 1.95-0.96 (m, 1024H), 1.08 (s, 96H), 0.90 (s, 96H), 0.88-0.86 (m, 288H), 0.62 (s, 96H).

^{13}C -NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3 , δ): 179.34, 172.37, 171.72, 156.81, 140.31, 139.45, 125.60, 122.73, 122.62, 120.28, 118.75, 108.63, 74.32, 67.96, 67.24, 66.84, 56.55, 56.12, 52.50, 52.07, 51.50, 49.89, 46.82, 42.82, 42.24, 40.84, 39.64, 39.51, 38.83, 38.01, 36.86, 36.47, 36.18, 35.78, 31.75, 30.31, 29.80, 29.32, 29.13, 28.64, 28.21, 28.02, 27.69, 27.07, 25.60, 24.47, 24.24, 23.91, 22.82, 22.57, 20.96, 19.24, 18.75, 18.72, 11.81.

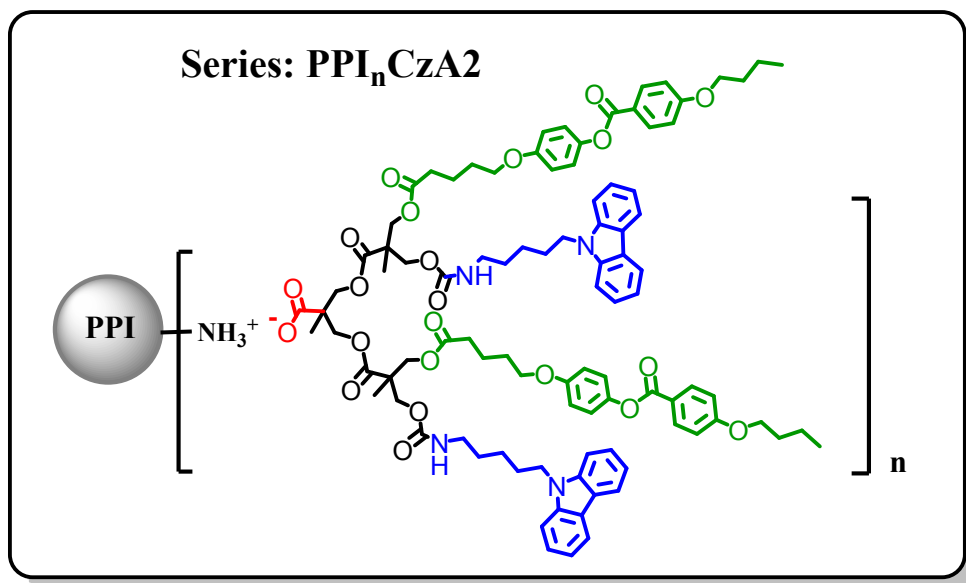
IR (Nujol) (cm^{-1}): 3385 (N-H), 2938 (C-H), 1729 (C=O), 1576 ($\text{COO}^-_{\text{asym}}$), 1404 ($\text{COO}^-_{\text{sym}}$).

PPI₆₄CzB1:

^1H -NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3 , δ): 8.01-7.99 (m, 128H), 7.38-7.35 (m, 128H), 7.32-7.30 (m, 128H), 7.15-7.12 (m, 128H), 6.00 (s, 64H), 5.22 (s, 64H), 4.55-4.46 (s, 64H), 4.20-4.18 (m, 64H), 4.23-4.03 (m, 256H), 3.07-2.91 (m, 128H), 2.91-2.79 (m, 128H), 2.60-2.49 (m, 256H), 2.45-2.29 (m, 364H), 2.24-2.17 (m, 128H), 1.93-0.96 (m, 2048H), 1.08 (s, 192H), 0.89 (s, 192H), 0.88-0.86 (m, 576H), 0.61 (s, 192H).

^{13}C -NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3 , δ): 179.29, 172.34, 171.66, 156.78, 140.28, 139.40, 125.62, 122.72, 120.26, 118.74, 108.65, 74.28, 67.96, 67.11, 66.76, 56.49, 56.14, 52.06, 51.78, 49.82, 46.81, 42.79, 42.21, 40.86, 39.61, 39.52, 38.02, 36.82, 36.42, 36.20, 35.80, 31.70, 30.31, 29.71, 29.32, 29.12, 28.61, 28.21, 28.02, 27.67, 25.60, 24.43, 24.22, 23.96, 22.84, 22.58, 20.94, 19.21, 18.72, 11.81.

IR (Nujol) (cm^{-1}): 3385 (N-H), 2938 (C-H), 1729 (C=O), 1573 ($\text{COO}^-_{\text{asym}}$), 1404 ($\text{COO}^-_{\text{sym}}$).



PPI₄CzA2:

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3 , δ) 8.11-8.10 (m, AA'BB', 16H), 8.07-8.06 (m, 16H), 7.45-7.41 (m, 16H), 7.39-7.37 (m, 16H), 7.21-7.18 (m, 16H), 7.07-7.05 (m, AA'BB', 16H), 6.95-6.93 (m, AA'BB', 16H), 6.87-6.85 (m, AA'BB', 16H), 5.43 (m, 8H), 4.26 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 16H), 4.35-4.09 (m, 48H), 4.03 (t, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 16H), 3.92-3.86 (m, 16H), 3.20-2.95 (m, 8H), 3.07-3.04 (m, 16H), 2.40-2.25 (m, 12H), 2.37-2.35 (m, 16H), 1.95-1.70 (m, 76H), 1.54-1.46 (m, 32H), 1.39-1.34 (m, 16H), 1.20 (s, 36H), 0.99 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 24H).

¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3 , δ): 179.58, 172.96, 165.48, 163.50, 156.48, 156.02, 144.47, 140.33, 132.22, 125.62, 122.76, 122.53, 121.52, 120.31, 118.75, 115.03, 114.24, 108.63, 67.98, 67.69, 65.96, 65.28, 52.13, 46.81, 46.32, 42.82, 40.83, 36.86, 33.68, 31.12, 29.58, 28.58, 24.37, 21.54, 19.18, 18.27, 17.68, 13.81.

IR (Nujol) (cm^{-1}): 3398 (N-H), 2938 (C-H), 1730 (C=O), 1579 ($\text{COO}^-_{\text{asym}}$), 1400 ($\text{COO}^-_{\text{sym}}$).

PPI₈CzA2:

¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3 , δ): 8.11-8.09 (m, AA'BB', 32H), 8.07-8.06 (m, 32H), 7.44-7.41 (m, 32H), 7.38-7.37 (m, 32H), 7.21-7.18 (m, 32H), 7.06-7.05 (m, AA'BB', 32H), 6.95-6.93 (m, AA'BB', 32H), 6.86-6.85 (m, AA'BB', 32H), 5.41 (m, 16H), 4.26 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 32H), 4.30-4.10 (m, 96H), 4.03 (t, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 32H), 3.92-3.87 (m, 32H), 3.60-2.95 (m, 16H), 3.06-3.04 (m, 32H), 2.60-2.24 (m, 20H), 2.37-2.35 (m, 32H), 1.94-1.69 (m, 144H), 1.55-1.45 (m, 64H), 1.41-1.34 (m, 32H), 1.19 (s, 72H), 0.99 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 48H).

¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3 , δ): 179.30, 172.97, 165.46, 163.50, 156.48, 156.03, 144.49, 140.33, 132.22, 125.62, 122.77, 122.53, 121.53, 120.31, 118.76, 115.04, 114.25, 108.64, 67.98, 67.70, 65.97, 65.28, 50.30, 46.81, 46.32, 42.82, 40.83, 38.08, 33.68, 31.12, 29.58, 28.58, 24.37, 21.54, 19.18, 18.24, 17.67, 13.81.

IR (Nujol) (cm^{-1}): 3397 (N-H), 2936 (C-H), 1730 (C=O), 1579 ($\text{COO}^-_{\text{asym}}$), 1400 ($\text{COO}^-_{\text{sym}}$).

PPI₁₆CzA2:

¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , δ): 8.09-8.07 (m, AA'BB', 64H), 8.04-8.02 (m, 64H), 7.42-7.38 (m, 64H), 7.35-7.33 (m, 64H), 7.18-7.15 (m, 64H), 7.04-7.01 (m, AA'BB', 64H), 6.92-6.90 (m, AA'BB', 64H), 6.82-6.80 (m, AA'BB', 64H), 5.41 (m, 32H), 4.29-4.08 (m, 256H), 4.00 (t, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 64H), 3.86-3.83 (m, 64H), 3.60-2.83 (m, 32H), 3.01-2.81 (m, 64H),

2.60-2.24 (m, 44H), 2.34-2.32 (m, 64H), 1.88–1.65 (m, 288H), 1.55-1.38 (m, 128H), 1.34-1.24 (m, 64H), 1.17 (s, 144H), 0.98 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 96H).

^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , δ): 179.94, 172.55, 165.07, 163.44, 156.44, 156.14, 144.42, 140.28, 132.18, 125.60, 122.71, 122.49, 121.51, 120.29, 118.74, 114.96, 114.21, 108.62, 67.95, 67.63, 65.91, 65.44, 51.47, 46.35, 42.75, 40.79, 38.05, 33.63, 31.11, 29.53, 28.55, 24.32, 21.48, 19.17, 18.52, 17.28, 13.82.

IR (Nujol) (cm^{-1}): 3394 (N-H), 2933 (C-H), 1729 (C=O), 1576 ($\text{COO}^-_{\text{asym}}$), 1401 ($\text{COO}^-_{\text{sym}}$).

PPI₃₂CzA2:

^1H -NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , δ) 8.09-8.07 (m, AA'BB', 128H), 8.04-8.02 (m, 128H), 7.42-7.38 (m, 128H), 7.35-7.33 (m, 128H), 7.18-7.14 (m, 128H), 7.03-7.01 (m, AA'BB', 128H), 6.92-6.90 (m, AA'BB', 128H), 6.82-6.80 (m, AA'BB', 128H), 5.43 (m, 64H), 4.33-4.08 (m, 512H), 3.99 (t, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 128H), 3.86-3.83 (m, 128H), 3.06-2.53 (m, 64H), 3.00-2.98 (m, 128H), 2.60-2.24 (m, 100H), 2.34-2.32 (m, 128H), 1.80–1.65 (m, 576H), 1.54-1.37 (m, 256H), 1.36-1.24 (m, 128H), 1.17 (s, 288H), 0.97 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 192H).

^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , δ): 179.92, 172.55, 165.07, 163.44, 156.44, 156.14, 144.42, 140.28, 132.18, 125.60, 122.50, 122.49, 121.51, 120.29, 118.74, 114.96, 114.22, 108.63, 67.95, 67.63, 65.91, 65.44, 58.59, 51.47, 46.35, 42.75, 40.79, 38.05, 33.63, 31.11, 29.53, 28.57, 24.33, 21.48, 19.17, 18.52, 17.28, 13.82.

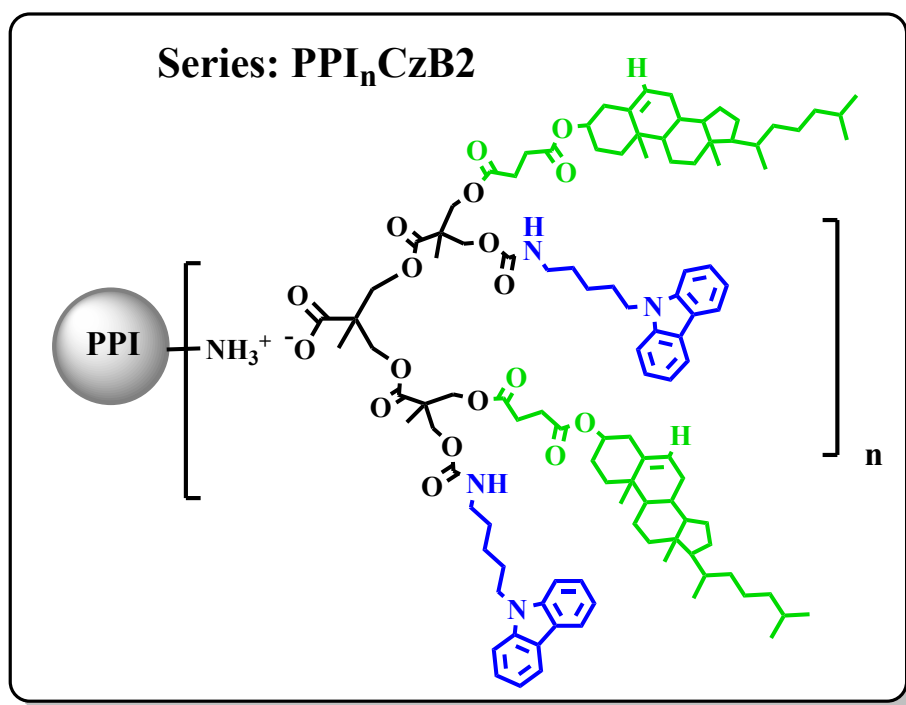
IR (Nujol) (cm^{-1}): 3396 (N-H), 2936 (C-H), 1730 (C=O), 1578 ($\text{COO}^-_{\text{asym}}$), 1401 ($\text{COO}^-_{\text{sym}}$).

PPI₆₄CzA2:

¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 8.09-8.07 (m, AA'BB', 256H), 8.04-8.02 (m, 256H), 7.42-7.38 (m, 256H), 7.35-7.33 (m, 256H), 7.18-7.15 (m, 256H), 7.04-7.02 (m, AA'BB', 256H), 6.93-6.90 (m, AA'BB', 256H), 6.83-6.81 (m, AA'BB', 256H), 5.40 (m, 128H), 4.30-4.10 (m, 1024H), 4.00 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 256H), 3.85-3.83 (m, 256H), 3.06-2.66 (m, 128H), 3.01-2.99 (m, 256H), 2.60-2.24 (m, 364H), 2.34-2.32 (m, 256H), 1.83-1.66 (m, 1276H), 1.55-1.38 (m, 512H), 1.36-1.24 (m, 256H), 1.18 (s, 576H), 0.98 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 384H).

¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 179.90, 172.53, 165.09, 163.43, 156.45, 156.14, 144.42, 140.31, 132.21, 125.62, 122.74, 122.53, 121.51, 120.31, 118.76, 114.99, 114.24, 108.64, 67.98, 67.61, 65.93, 65.45, 58.57, 51.45, 46.35, 42.75, 40.78, 38.05, 33.63, 31.13, 29.53, 28.58, 24.31, 21.49, 19.20, 18.52, 17.28, 13.84.

IR (Nujol) (cm⁻¹): 3397 (N-H), 2935 (C-H), 1730 (C=O), 1579 (COO⁻_{asym}), 1400 (COO⁻_{sym}).



PPI₄CzB2:

¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 8.11-8.09 (m, 16H), 7.49-7.45 (m, 16H), 7.44-7.40 (m, 16H), 7.24-7.22 (m, 16H), 5.35 (s, 8H), 5.42-5.25 (m, 8H), 4.67-4.57 (m, 8H), 4.39-4.10 (m, 64H), 3.95-3.61 (m, 8H), 3.14 –3.06 (m, 16H), 2.72-2.52 (m, 44H), 2.37-2.27 (m, 16H), 2.02-1.05 (m, 268H), 1.22 (s, 24H), 1.01 (s, 24H), 0.94-0.88 (m, 84H), 0.68 (s, 24H).

¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 179.15, 172.96, 172.81, 172.73, 172.43, 172.21, 171.89, 155.89, 140.31, 139.41, 125.62, 122.72, 120.30, 118.75, 108.60, 76.71, 74.85, 74.67, 66.36, 66.21, 66.12, 65.98, 65.70, 56.62, 56.10, 49.93, 46.78, 46.70, 42.84, 42.27, 40.75, 39.65, 39.50, 38.04, 37.90, 36.88, 36.52, 36.17, 35.78, 31.85, 31.79, 29.59, 29.20, 29.15, 28.75, 28.62, 28.21, 28.01, 27.65, 24.40, 24.24, 23.82, 22.81, 22.56, 20.98, 19.26, 18.70, 18.05, 17.66, 11.82.

IR (Nujol) (cm^{-1}): 3385 (N-H), 2942 (C-H), 1733 (C=O), 1557 ($\text{COO}^-_{\text{asym}}$), 1438 ($\text{COO}^-_{\text{sym}}$).

PPI₈CzB2:

¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , δ): 8.11-8.09 (m, 32H), 7.48-7.45 (m, 32H), 7.43-7.40 (m, 32H), 7.25-7.22 (m, 32H), 5.36 (s, 16H), 5.42-5.25 (m, 16H), 4.67-4.57 (m, 16H), 4.39-4.10 (m, 128H), 3.95-3.61 (m, 16H), 3.14 –3.06 (m, 32H), 2.72-2.52 (m, 84H), 2.37-2.27 (m, 32H), 2.02-1.05 (m, 528H), 1.22 (s, 48H), 1.01 (s, 48H), 0.94-0.88 (m, 168H), 0.68 (s, 48H).

¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , δ): 179.13, 172.98, 172.89, 172.75, 172.49, 172.23, 171.92, 155.92, 140.34, 139.45, 125.62, 122.78, 120.32, 118.76, 108.63, 76.75, 74.86, 74.68, 66.38, 66.24, 66.13, 65.99, 65.71, 56.63, 56.11, 49.95, 46.77, 46.71, 42.85, 42.28, 40.85, 39.68, 39.51, 38.07, 37.97, 36.88, 36.52, 36.17, 35.78, 31.85, 31.79, 29.59, 29.20, 29.15, 28.75, 28.62, 28.21, 28.01, 27.66, 24.40, 24.25, 23.83, 22.81, 22.56, 20.99, 19.26, 18.70, 18.06, 17.68, 11.83.

IR (Nujol) (cm^{-1}): 3388 (N-H), 2943 (C-H), 1733 (C=O), 1557 ($\text{COO}^-_{\text{asym}}$), 1436 ($\text{COO}^-_{\text{sym}}$).

PPI₁₆CzB2:

¹H-NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3 , δ) 8.08-8.06 (m, 64H), 7.46-7.41 (m, 64H), 7.39-7.37 (m, 64H), 7.22-7.18 (m, 64H), 5.32 (s, 32H), 5.44-5.13 (32H), 4.66-4.51 (m, 32H), 4.35-4.04 (m, 256H), 3.13-2.88 (m, 64H), 2.64-2.52 (m, 160H), 2.35-2.25 (m, 108H), 2.04-1.05 (m, 1056H), 1.18 (s, 96H), 0.98 (s, 96H), 0.92-0.86 (m, 336H), 0.66 (s, 96H).

¹³C-NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 179.15, 172.86, 172.83, 172.71, 172.52, 172.21, 171.90, 155.62, 140.14, 139.43, 125.63, 122.73, 120.30, 118.67, 108.66, 76.74, 74.83, 74.68, 66.41, 66.25, 66.10, 65.90, 65.73, 56.65, 56.08, 49.93, 46.87, 46.72, 42.83, 42.28, 40.84, 39.62, 39.49, 38.07, 37.97, 36.82, 36.51, 36.18, 35.79, 31.82, 31.73, 29.56, 29.21, 29.11, 28.75, 28.62, 28.21, 28.03, 27.66, 24.40, 24.23, 23.83, 22.81, 22.56, 20.97, 19.26, 18.70, 18.06, 17.68, 11.83.

IR (Nujol) (cm⁻¹): 3389 (N-H), 2936 (C-H), 1729 (C=O), 1548 (COO⁻_{asym}), 1439 (COO⁻_{sym})

PPI₃₂CzB2:

¹H-NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 8.09-8.07 (m, 128H), 7.45-7.41 (m, 128H), 7.39-7.37 (m, 128H), 7.21-7.18 (m, 128H), 5.33 (s, 64H), 5.45-5.15 (64H), 4.65-4.50 (m, 64H), 4.32-4.01 (m, 512H), 3.12-3.01 (m, 128H), 2.62-2.54 (m, 320H), 2.33-2.23 (m, 228H), 2.03-1.01 (m, 2112H), 1.19 (s, 192H), 0.99 (s, 192H), 0.91-0.84 (m, 672H), 0.65 (s, 192H).

¹³C-NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 179.14, 172.96, 172.87, 172.73, 172.45, 172.22, 171.92, 155.92, 140.34, 139.44, 125.62, 122.78, 120.32, 118.75, 108.63, 76.75, 74.86, 74.68, 66.38, 66.24, 66.13, 65.92, 65.71, 56.63, 56.11, 49.95, 46.78, 46.73, 42.85, 42.28, 40.85, 39.68, 39.51, 38.07, 37.97, 36.88, 36.52, 36.30, 35.78, 31.83, 31.79, 29.59, 29.21, 29.15, 28.75, 28.62, 28.21, 28.01, 27.68, 24.40, 24.25, 23.83, 22.80, 22.56, 20.99, 19.26, 18.70, 18.08, 17.68, 11.82.

IR (Nujol) (cm⁻¹): 3388 (N-H), 2944 (C-H), 1729 (C=O), 1549 (COO⁻_{asym}), 1436 (COO⁻_{sym}).

PPI₆₄CzB2:

¹H-NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 8.08-8.06 (m, 256H), 7.45-7.41 (m, 256H), 7.40-7.38 (m, 256H), 7.21-7.18 (m, 256H), 5.33 (s, 128H), 5.45-5.12 (128H), 4.65-4.51 (m, 128H), 4.37-4.04 (m, 1024H), 3.13-3.03 (m, 256H), 2.65-2.51 (m, 640H), 2.33-2.25 (m, 620H), 2.05-1.05 (m, 4348H), 1.19 (s, 384H), 0.99 (s, 384H), 0.94-0.86 (m, 1344H), 0.65 (s, 384H).

¹³C-NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃, δ): 179.15, 172.97, 172.88, 172.74, 172.45, 172.21, 171.95, 155.98, 140.34, 139.45, 125.65, 122.78, 120.32, 118.74, 108.63, 76.75, 74.89, 74.68, 66.38, 66.24, 66.13, 65.94, 65.71, 56.63, 56.11, 49.91, 46.77, 46.73, 42.85, 42.28, 40.85, 39.65, 39.51, 38.03, 37.97, 36.88, 36.52, 36.17, 35.75, 31.85, 31.75, 29.59, 29.20, 29.14, 28.73, 28.62, 28.21, 28.02, 27.66, 24.40, 24.26, 23.83, 22.82, 22.56, 20.95, 19.26, 18.70, 18.09, 17.68, 11.82.

IR (Nujol) (cm⁻¹): 3389 (N-H), 2943 (C-H), 1730 (C=O), 1550 (COO⁻_{asym}), 1436 (COO⁻_{sym}).

3. Supporting Tables

Table S1. Main IR data (cm⁻¹) for ionic hybrid dendrimers

| Compound | N-H (carbamate) | COO ⁻ _{asym} (carboxylate) | COO ⁻ _{sym} (carboxylate) | C=O (ester and carbamate) |
|------------------------|-----------------------|---|--|------------------------------|
| PPI ₄ CzA1 | 3368 cm ⁻¹ | 1580 cm ⁻¹ | 1400 cm ⁻¹ | 1728 cm ⁻¹ |
| PPI ₈ CzA1 | 3400 cm ⁻¹ | 1580 cm ⁻¹ | 1401 cm ⁻¹ | 1727 cm ⁻¹ |
| PPI ₁₆ CzA1 | 3384 cm ⁻¹ | 1578 cm ⁻¹ | 1401 cm ⁻¹ | 1729 cm ⁻¹ |
| PPI ₃₂ CzA1 | 3386 cm ⁻¹ | 1578 cm ⁻¹ | 1401 cm ⁻¹ | 1729 cm ⁻¹ |
| PPI ₆₄ CzA1 | 3386 cm ⁻¹ | 1578 cm ⁻¹ | 1401 cm ⁻¹ | 1729 cm ⁻¹ |
| PPI ₄ CzA2 | 3398 cm ⁻¹ | 1579 cm ⁻¹ | 1400 cm ⁻¹ | 1730 cm ⁻¹ |
| PPI ₈ CzA2 | 3397 cm ⁻¹ | 1579 cm ⁻¹ | 1400 cm ⁻¹ | 1730 cm ⁻¹ |
| PPI ₁₆ CzA2 | 3394 cm ⁻¹ | 1576 cm ⁻¹ | 1401 cm ⁻¹ | 1729 cm ⁻¹ |
| PPI ₃₂ CzA2 | 3396 cm ⁻¹ | 1578 cm ⁻¹ | 1401 cm ⁻¹ | 1730 cm ⁻¹ |
| PPI ₆₄ CzA2 | 3397 cm ⁻¹ | 1579 cm ⁻¹ | 1400 cm ⁻¹ | 1730 cm ⁻¹ |
| PPI ₄ CzB1 | 3400 cm ⁻¹ | 1577 cm ⁻¹ | 1408 cm ⁻¹ | 1729 cm ⁻¹ |
| PPI ₈ CzB1 | 3373 cm ⁻¹ | 1573 cm ⁻¹ | 1406 cm ⁻¹ | 1728 cm ⁻¹ |
| PPI ₁₆ CzB1 | 3384 cm ⁻¹ | 1576 cm ⁻¹ | 1405 cm ⁻¹ | 1726 cm ⁻¹ |
| PPI ₃₂ CzB1 | 3385 cm ⁻¹ | 1576 cm ⁻¹ | 1404 cm ⁻¹ | 1729 cm ⁻¹ |
| PPI ₆₄ CzB1 | 3385 cm ⁻¹ | 1573 cm ⁻¹ | 1404 cm ⁻¹ | 1729 cm ⁻¹ |
| PPI ₄ CzB2 | 3385 cm ⁻¹ | 1557 cm ⁻¹ | 1438 cm ⁻¹ | 1733 cm ⁻¹ |
| PPI ₈ CzB2 | 3388 cm ⁻¹ | 1557 cm ⁻¹ | 1436 cm ⁻¹ | 1733 cm ⁻¹ |
| PPI ₁₆ CzB2 | 3389 cm ⁻¹ | 1548 cm ⁻¹ | 1439 cm ⁻¹ | 1729 cm ⁻¹ |
| PPI ₃₂ CzB2 | 3388 cm ⁻¹ | 1549 cm ⁻¹ | 1436 cm ⁻¹ | 1729 cm ⁻¹ |
| PPI ₆₄ CzB2 | 3389 cm ⁻¹ | 1550 cm ⁻¹ | 1436 cm ⁻¹ | 1730 cm ⁻¹ |

Table S2. Main shifts in the ^1H NMR spectra of dendrons and ionic hybrid dendrimers for G3 complexes.

| Compound | $-\text{CH}_2-\text{NH}_2$ | $\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{NH}_2$ | NHCOO | CH_3CCOOH | $-\text{CCH}_2\text{O}-$ |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| PPI ₁₆ -NH ₂ | 2.56 | 1.43 | | | |
| CzA1 | | | 4.71/5.30 | 1.25 | 4.22/4.21 |
| CzA2 | | | 5.22 | 1.20 | 4.19/4.14 |
| CzB1 | | | 4.79/5.46 | 1.24 | 4.25/4.20 |
| CzB2 | | | 4.61/5.04 | 1.20 | 4.20/4.16 |
| PPI ₁₆ CzA1 | 2.85 | 1.65 | 6.06 | 1.08 | 4.19/4.15 |
| PPI ₁₆ CzA2 | 2.86 | 1.70 | 5.41 | 1.17 | 4.17/4.16 |
| PPI ₁₆ CzB1 | 2.88 | 1.68 | 6.04/5.76 | 1.08 | 4.22/4.11 |
| PPI ₁₆ CzB2 | 2.90 | 1.65 | 5.42/5.28 | 1.08 | 4.31/4.22 |

Table S3. Thermal stability of dendrimers under study.

| Ionic hybrid dendrimer | T _{5%} | T ^a _{onset} (°C) |
|------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| PPI ₄ CzA1 | 145 | 237 |
| PPI ₈ CzA1 | 151 | 215 |
| PPI ₁₆ CzA1 | 129 | 237 |
| PPI ₃₂ CzA1 | 135 | 235 |
| PPI ₆₄ CzA1 | 172 | 234 |
| PPI ₄ CzB1 | 182 | 258 |
| PPI ₈ CzB1 | 168 | 246 |
| PPI ₁₆ CzB1 | 191 | 260 |
| PPI ₃₂ CzB1 | 202 | 242 |
| PPI ₆₄ CzB1 | 205 | 241 |
| PPI ₄ CzA2 | 169 | 229 |
| PPI ₈ CzA2 | 159 | 221 |
| PPI ₁₆ CzA2 | 234 | 247 |
| PPI ₃₂ CzA2 | 234 | 248 |
| PPI ₆₄ CzA2 | 239 | 246 |
| PPI ₄ CzB2 | 151 | 244 |
| PPI ₈ CzB2 | 135 | 235 |
| PPI ₁₆ CzB2 | 224 | 273 |
| PPI ₃₂ CzB2 | 228 | 276 |
| PPI ₆₄ CzB2 | 230 | 279 |

Table S4. Photophysical data for hybrid dendrimers derived from CzA1 and CzA2 dendrons.

| Compound | λ_{abs} [nm] | λ_{abs} [nm] | λ_{em} [nm] | λ_{em} [nm] | Compound | λ_{abs} [nm] | λ_{abs} [nm] | λ_{em} [nm] | λ_{em} [nm] |
|------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | (CH ₂ Cl ₂) | (film) | (CH ₂ Cl ₂) | (film) | | (CH ₂ Cl ₂) | (film) | (CH ₂ Cl ₂) | (film) |
| PPI ₄ CzA1 | 230 | 236 | 352 | 355(h) | PPI ₄ CzA2 | 238 | 240 | 352,5 | 355 |
| | 265 | 265 | 368,5 | 372 | | 265 | 264 | 369 | 372,5 |
| | 295 | 296 | 388(h) | 389,5(h) | | 295 | 296 | 388(h) | 389,5(h) |
| | 332 | 332 | | | | 332 | 332 | | |
| | 347 | 347 | | | | 347 | 348 | | |
| PPI ₈ CzA1 | 238 | 236 | 352 | 359 | PPI ₈ CzA2 | 238 | 240 | 352,5 | 356 |
| | 264 | 265 | 369,5 | 372,5 | | 265 | 266 | 369 | 371 |
| | 295 | 295 | 389(h) | 392(h) | | 295 | 296 | 388(h) | 389,5(h) |
| | 332 | 332 | | | | 332 | 332 | | |
| | 347 | 348 | | | | 347 | 348 | | |
| PPI ₁₆ CzA1 | 238,5 | 239 | 352,5 | 353,5 | PPI ₁₆ CzA2 | 238,5 | 240 | 352,5 | 355,5 |
| | 264 | 267 | 369,5 | 371 | | 263,5 | 268 | 369 | 370,5 |
| | 295 | 297 | 388(h) | 389(h) | | 295 | 296 | 388,5(h) | 389(h) |
| | 332 | 335 | | | | 332,5 | 332 | | |
| | 347 | 350 | | | | 347 | 348 | | |
| PPI ₃₂ CzA1 | 238 | 244 | 352,5 | 354,5 | PPI ₃₂ CzA2 | 238 | 240 | 352 | 356 |
| | 265 | 268 | 367 | 369 | | 265 | 264 | 369 | 371,5 |
| | 295 | 296 | 390(h) | 391,5(h) | | 295 | 296 | 388(h) | 389(h) |
| | 332,5 | 332 | | | | 332 | 336 | | |
| | 348 | 348 | | | | 347 | 348 | | |
| PPI ₆₄ CzA1 | 238,5 | 232 | 352,5 | 354 | PPI ₆₄ CzA2 | 238,5 | 240 | 352,5 | 355 |
| | 263,5 | 264 | 368,5 | 370 | | 264 | 264 | 368,5 | 370,5 |
| | 295 | 296 | 388(h) | 389,5(h) | | 295 | 296 | 388(h) | 389,5(h) |
| | 332,5 | 332 | | | | 331,5 | 332 | | |
| | 347 | 348 | | | | 347 | 348 | | |

^a Measured in CH₂Cl₂ solution, ^b shoulder (h)

Table S5. Photophysical data for hybrid dendrimers derived from CzB1 and CzB2 dendrons.

| Compound | λ_{abs} [nm] (CH ₂ Cl ₂) | λ_{abs} [nm] (film) | λ_{em} [nm] (CH ₂ Cl ₂) | λ_{em} [nm] (film) | Compound | λ_{abs} [nm] (CH ₂ Cl ₂) | λ_{abs} [nm] (film) | λ_{em} [nm] (CH ₂ Cl ₂) | λ_{em} [nm] (film) |
|------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| PPI ₄ CzB1 | 238 | 236 | 352,5 | 355,5 | PPI ₄ CzB2 | 238 | 240 | 352,5 | 354 |
| | 265 | 265 | 368,5 | 370,5 | | 265 | 266 | 368,5 | 370,5 |
| | 295 | 295 | 388(h) | 389,5(h) | | 295 | 296 | 388(h) | 389(h) |
| | 332 | 332 | | | | 332 | 332 | | |
| | 347 | 348 | | | | 347 | 348 | | |
| PPI ₈ CzB1 | 238 | 236 | 352 | 354,5 | PPI ₈ CzB2 | 238 | 240 | 352,5 | 354,5 |
| | 265 | 266 | 368 | 370 | | 265 | 268 | 369 | 370 |
| | 295 | 296 | 388(h) | 389,5(h) | | 295 | 296 | 389(h) | 389,5(h) |
| | 332 | 333 | | | | 332 | 332 | | |
| | 347 | 348 | | | | 347 | 348 | | |
| PPI ₁₆ CzB1 | 240 | 236,5 | 352 | 353,5 | PPI ₁₆ CzB2 | 239 | 240 | 352 | 354 |
| | 264 | 266 | 369 | 369,5 | | 265 | 268 | 370 | 370,5 |
| | 296 | 297 | 388(h) | 389,5(h) | | 295 | 296 | 388(h) | 389(h) |
| | 332 | 333,5 | | | | 333 | 332 | | |
| | 348 | 348 | | | | 346 | 348 | | |
| PPI ₃₂ CzB1 | 236 | 244 | 352 | 354,5 | PPI ₃₂ CzB2 | 238 | 240 | 352 | 354,5 |
| | 264 | 268 | 369 | 370 | | 265 | 264 | 369 | 371 |
| | 296 | 296 | 388,5(h) | 391(h) | | 295 | 296 | 389(h) | 389,5(h) |
| | 332 | 336 | | | | 333 | 336 | | |
| | 348 | 348 | | | | 347 | 348 | | |
| PPI ₆₄ CzB1 | 236 | 232 | 352,5 | 353 | PPI ₆₄ CzB2 | 238 | 240 | 352 | 354 |
| | 264 | 264 | 368,5 | 369,5 | | 264 | 264 | 369 | 370 |
| | 296 | 296 | 388,5(h) | 390,5(h) | | 295 | 296 | 388(h) | 389(h) |
| | 332 | 336 | | | | 332 | 332 | | |
| | 348 | 348 | | | | 347 | 348 | | |

^a Measured in CH₂Cl₂ solution, ^b shoulder (h)

Table S6. Molar absorptivity parameters for ionic derivatives CzA1 dendrimers and calculated numbers of carbazoles.

| Compound | Absorptivity molar (ϵ)* | No of carbazoles (actual) | No of carbazoles (calculated) |
|------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| CzA1 | 44400 | 1 | 1 |
| PPI ₄ CzA1 | 140800 | 4 | 3.2 |
| PPI ₈ CzA1 | 421200 | 8 | 9.5 |
| PPI ₁₆ CzA1 | 739500 | 16 | 16.6 |
| PPI ₃₂ CzA1 | 1153000 | 32 | 26 |
| PPI ₆₄ CzA1 | 2712000 | 64 | 61.1 |

*Data at 265 nm

Table S7. Molar absorptivity parameters for ionic CzB1 dendrimer derivatives and calculated numbers of carbazoles.

| Compound | Absorptivity molar (ϵ)* | No of carbazoles (actual) | No of carbazoles (calculated) |
|------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| CzB1 | 11320 | 1 | 1 |
| PPI ₄ CzB1 | 89000 | 4 | 7.9 |
| PPI ₈ CzB1 | 178000 | 8 | 15.7 |
| PPI ₁₆ CzB1 | 776365 | 16 | 68.6 |
| PPI ₃₂ CzB1 | 691887 | 32 | 61.1 |
| PPI ₆₄ CzB1 | 1220000 | 64 | 107.8 |

*Data at 265 nm.

Table S8. Quantum yields for the PPI_nCzB1 family

| Compound | Quantum yields (Φ) |
|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Cz | 0.101 |
| CzNH ₂ | 0.027 |
| CzB1 | 0.093 |
| PPI ₄ CzB1 | 0.098 |
| PPI ₈ CzB1 | 0.123 |
| PPI ₁₆ CzB1 | 0.149 |
| PPI ₃₂ CzB1 | 0.107 |
| PPI ₆₄ CzB1 | 0.100 |

^a Onset oxidation and reduction potentials versus Ag/Ag⁺, ^b Estimated from the onset oxidation and reduction potential by using HOMO = -E_{onset(ox)} - 4.8 eV and LUMO = -E_{onset(red)}-4.8 eV., ^c Electrochemical band gaps determined using Eg = E_{onset(ox)} - E_{onset(red)}

Table S9. Cyclic voltammety data for ionic hybrid dendrimers

| Compound | E _{ox} (V) | Compound | E _{ox} (V) |
|------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| PPI ₄ CzA1 | 1.356; 1.766 | PPI ₄ CzA2 | 1.295; 1.681 |
| PPI ₈ CzA1 | 1.132; 1.395 | PPI ₈ CzA2 | 1.326; 1.597 |
| PPI ₁₆ CzA1 | 1.409; 1.719 | PPI ₁₆ CzA2 | 1.412 |
| PPI ₃₂ CzA1 | 1.326; 1.651 | PPI ₃₂ CzA2 | 1.212; 1.648 |
| PPI ₆₄ CzA1 | 1.283; 1.396 | PPI ₆₄ CzA2 | 1.221; 1.781 |
| PPI ₄ CzB1 | 1.284 | PPI ₄ CzB2 | 1.294 |
| PPI ₈ CzB1 | 1.301 | PPI ₈ CzB2 | 1.353 |
| PPI ₁₆ CzB1 | 0.945; 1.299 | PPI ₁₆ CzB2 | 1.463 |
| PPI ₃₂ CzB1 | 1.418 | PPI ₃₂ CzB2 | 1.298; 1.516 |
| PPI ₆₄ CzB1 | 1.362 | PPI ₆₄ CzB2 | 1.223; 1.613 |

^a Calculated from absorption spectrum λ onset.

4. Calculations based on the X-ray data

Smectic mesophases

The volume of a cylindrical molecule in the smectic phase can be calculated from its height d (measured experimentally) and its cross-section S :

$$V = d \times S = d \times \pi r^2 = d \times \pi \times \left(\frac{\varnothing}{2}\right)^2 = d \times \frac{\pi}{4} \times \varnothing^2$$

and the cylinder diameter \varnothing is related to the density ρ by the following equation:

$$\rho = \frac{m}{V} = \frac{M/N_A}{d \times \pi \varnothing^2 / 4 \times 10^{24}} \approx 1$$

From the cylinder diameter it is possible to calculate the total cross-section S_t and the cross-section per dendron S_d :

$$S_t = \pi \times \left(\frac{\varnothing}{2}\right)^2 \qquad S_d = \frac{S_t \times 2}{n}$$

m being the number of dendrons in each ionic hybrid dendrimer.

Columnar mesophases

The cross-sectional area S of each column in the two-dimensional rectangular lattice can be calculated as $S = a \times b/2$, where a and b are the rectangular lattice constants (Table 3). The reason for dividing by 2 is the fact that the rectangular columnar mesophase usually contains two columns per elementary lattice. This assumption is supported by the fact that the S values obtained in this way are consistent with those deduced for the hexagonal

columnar mesophase of PPI₆₄CzA2 and PPI₆₄CzB2. It must be pointed out that the gap between the rigid regions of neighboring columns is filled by the peripheral hydrocarbon chains and therefore the effective cross-section of the column corresponds to half the rectangular cell surface. The column cross-section S and the disc thickness h_d are related by the formula

$$h_d \times S = V_m$$

where V_m is the molecule volume. In the absence of a scattering maximum related to the stacking distance, h_d cannot be measured experimentally but can be estimated from the above-mentioned formula taking into account that the molecule volume V_m is related to the density ρ and the molar mass M by the following equation:

$$\rho = (M \times 10^{24}) / (N \times V_m)$$

where N is Avogadro's number. Making the density equal to 1 g cm⁻³, the following equation is deduced:

$$h_d = M \times 10^{24} / (N \times S)$$

From this equation the values for h_d shown in Table 3 are deduced.

5. Supporting Figures

FT-IR spectra

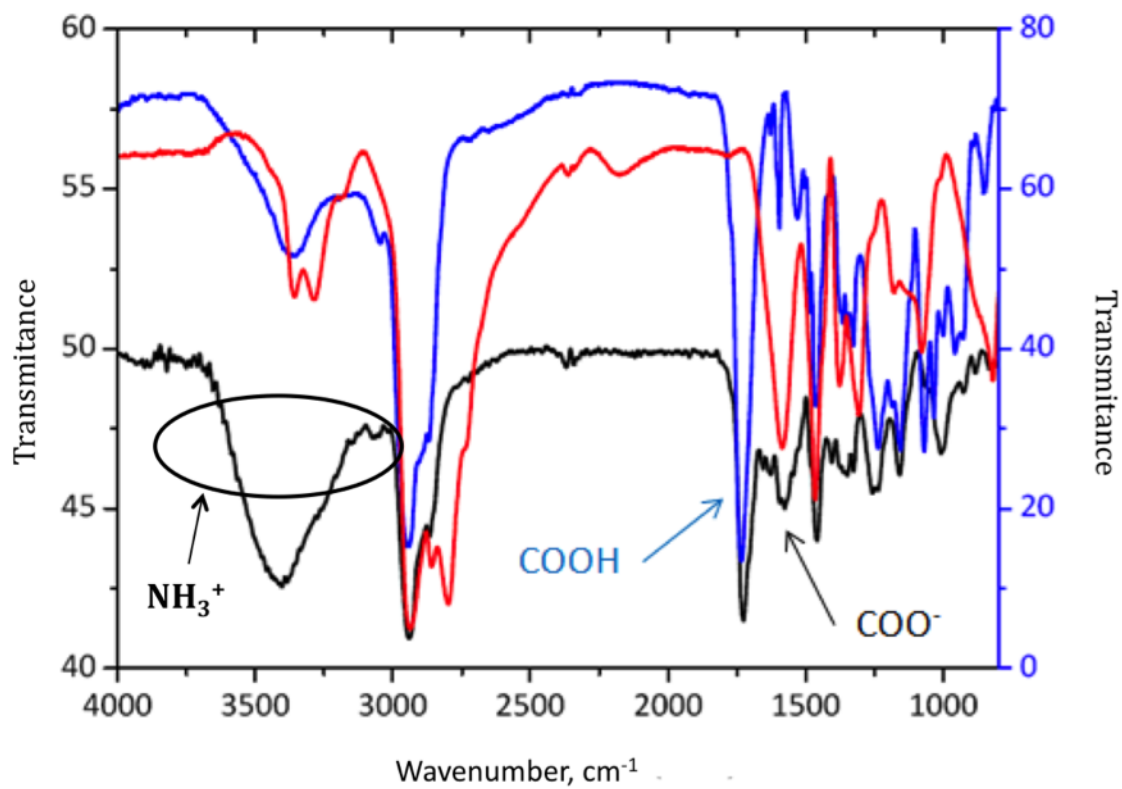


Figure S1. FT-IR spectra for PPI₁₆CzB1 (black), dendron CzB1 (blue) and dendrimer PPI₁₆-NH₂ (red)

NMR Spectra

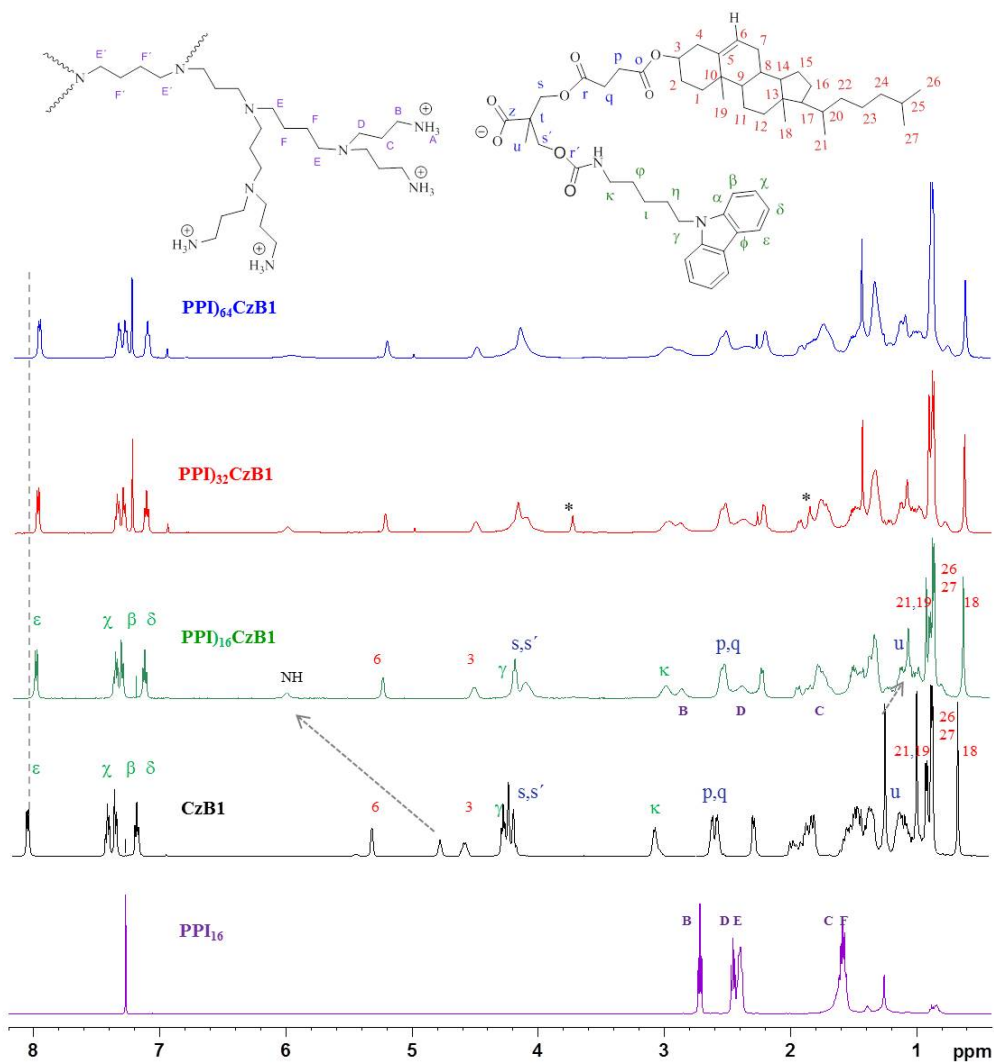


Fig. S2. Proton assignment for $\text{PPI}_{16}\text{CzB1}$ and comparative spectra of the dendron CzB1 dendrimer PPI_{16} ($G=3$) and its ionic hybrid dendrimers $\text{PPI}_{16}\text{CzB1}$, $\text{PPI}_{32}\text{CzB1}$, $\text{PPI}_{64}\text{CzB1}$. (500 MHz, CDCl_3 , 25 °C). *Residual THF.

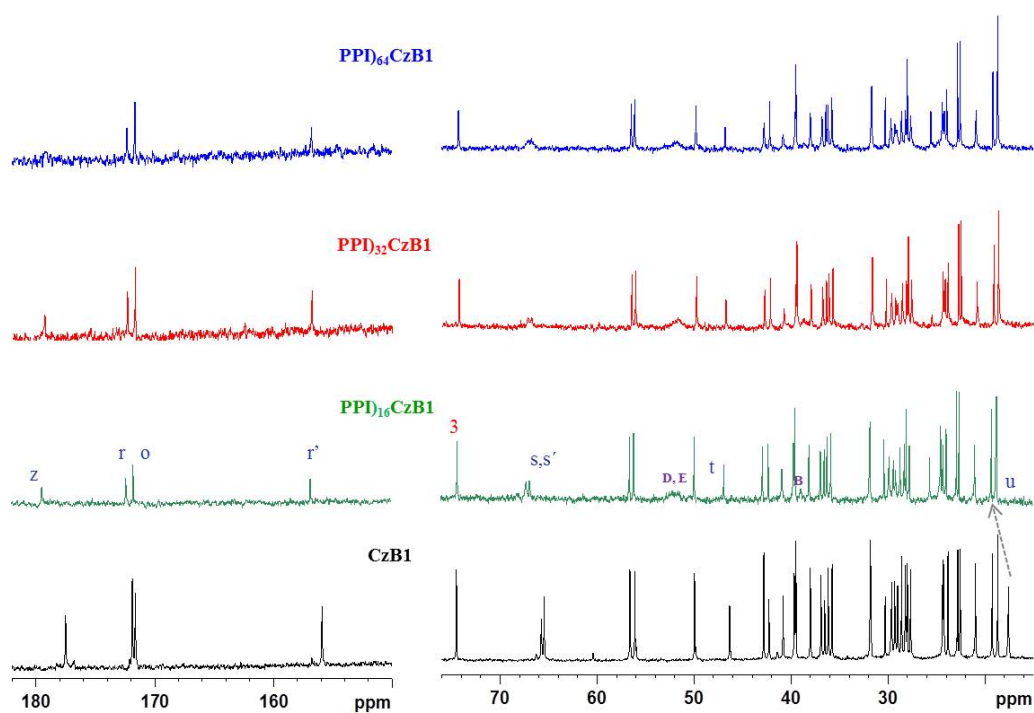


Fig. S3. Expansions of ^{13}C NMR spectra for dendron CzB1 and its ionic dendrimers: $\text{PPI}_{16}\text{CzB1}$, $\text{PPI}_{32}\text{CzB1}$, $\text{PPI}_{64}\text{CzB1}$. (125 MHz, CDCl_3 , 25 °C).

Differential Scanning Calorimetry

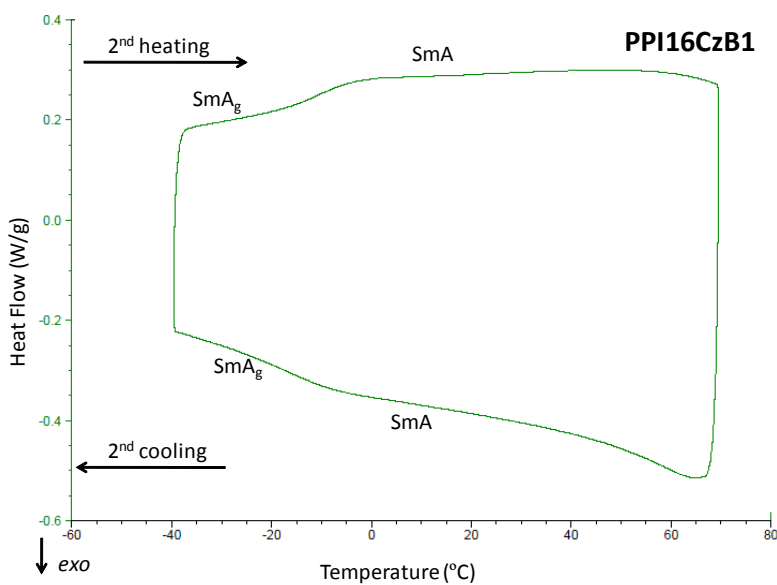
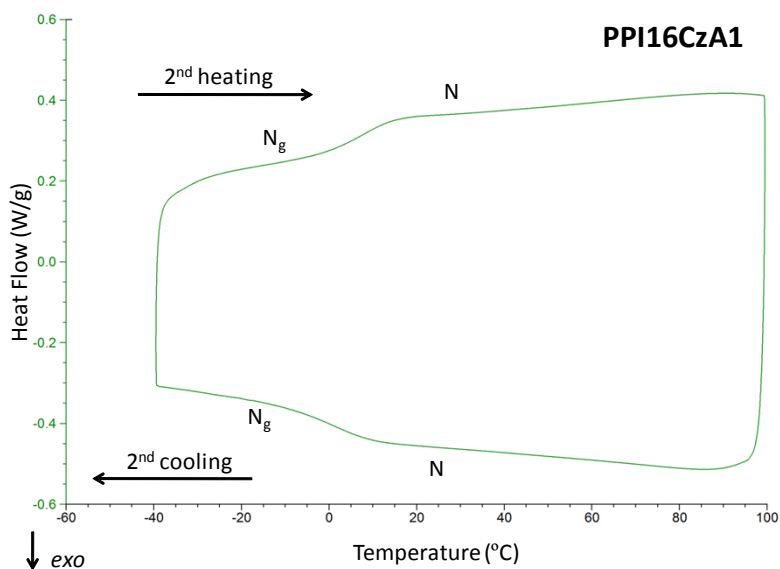
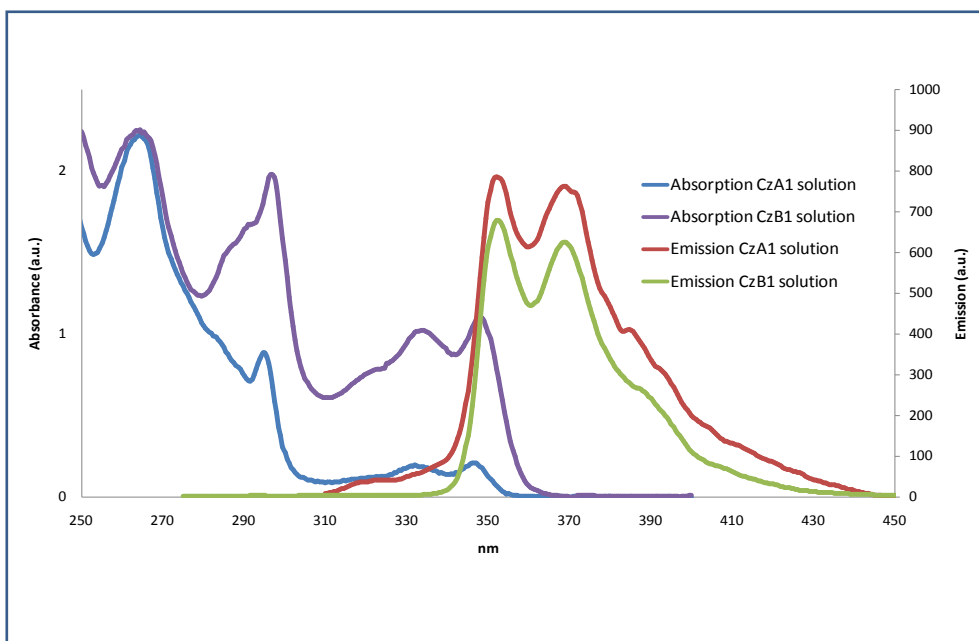
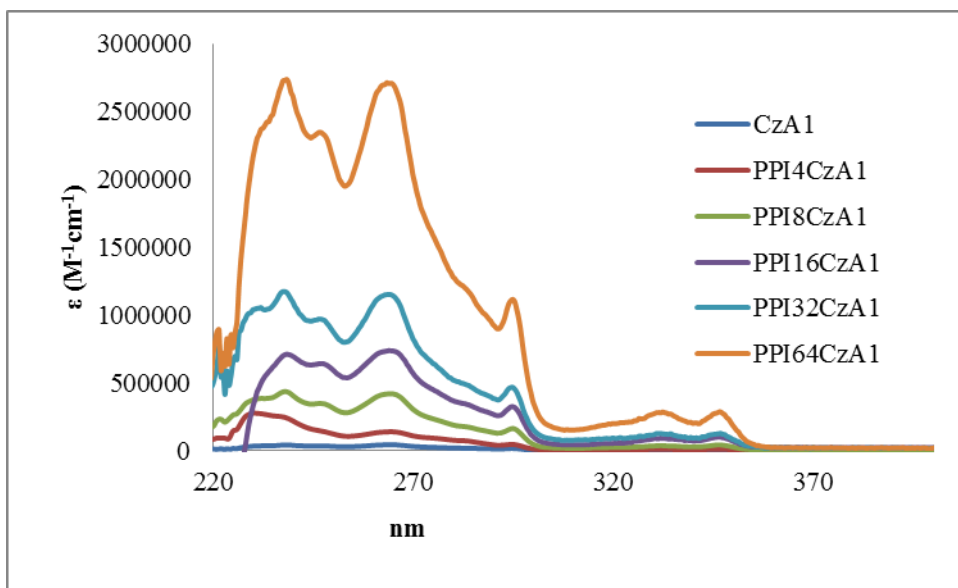


Figure S6. a) DSC scan at 10 °C/min for ionic hybrid dendrimer PPI₁₆CzA1, **b)** DSC scan at 10 °C/min for ionic hybrid dendrimer PPI₁₆CzB1

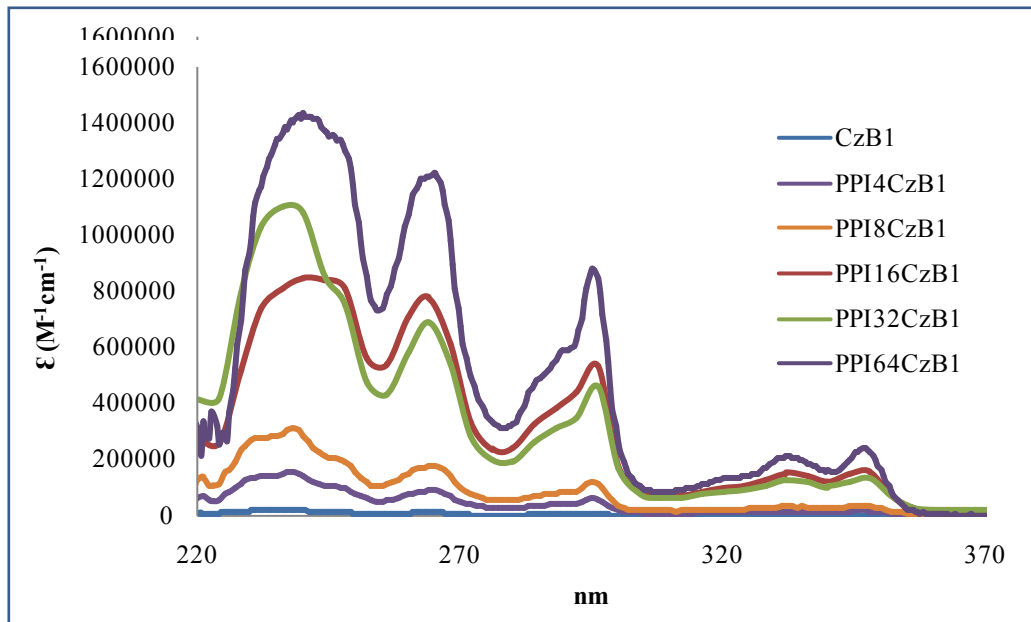
UV-Vis absorption and emission spectra



a)



b)



c)

Figure S7. Normalized UV-vis absorption spectra in CH_2Cl_2 solution of of a) dendrons, b) dendrimers $\text{PPI}_n\text{CzA1}$, c) dendrimer $\text{PPI}_n\text{CzB1}$

Cyclic voltammetry plots

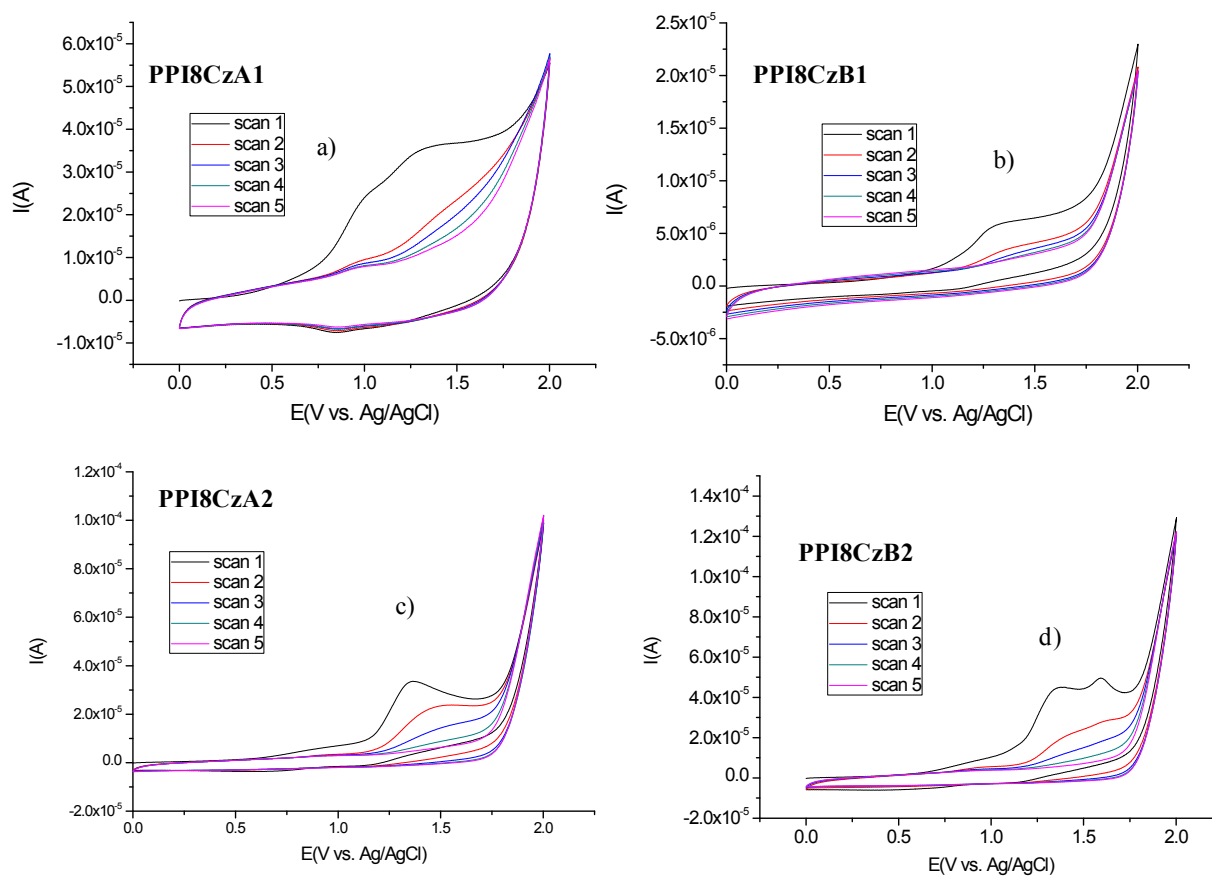


Figure S8. Cyclic voltammograms of the first five cycles of: a) PPI₈CzA1, b) PPI₈CzB1, c) PPI₈CzA2, d) PPI₈CzB2.